

# THE AVALANCHE.

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## LOCAL ITEMS.

M. E. S. S. concert at the hall to-morrow evening.

After a two-weeks' vacation school opened again Monday.

A full stock of furniture at Traver's Furniture Rooms.

The new Board of Supervisors will convene on Monday, April 23.

Ex-Sheriff London has moved into his residence on Michigan avenue.

Nicest thing out—

The new window-shade roller at the P. O.

J. O. Thurston, Almont, Mich., says: Brown's Iron Bitters give satisfaction.

Thunder—lightning—rain—snow—wind, Tuesday night and Wednesday.

Our new sheriff, John F. Hum, now occupies his new quarters—the sheriff's residence.

Wall paper—

Beautiful designs, ready trimmed, at the P. O.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Cassimer arrived in the city Monday and are stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. F. Brink.

Mr. J. S. Harrington moved on to his farm Monday.

A social hop was held at the hall on Monday evening and was well attended.

We are pleased to note that Mr. M. S. Hartwick, with the aid of a chair, is able to move about some.

Choice Books—

Lots of new and beautiful goods at the P. O.

Miss Flora Newman, residing near Pere Cheney, passed Sunday and Monday with her parents in this city.

Mr. and Mrs. H. Brown went to Roscommon yesterday to furnish music for a grand ball held last evening.

Rumor says a wrestling match is soon to take place in this city between L. L. Burton and Geo. W. Hamilton.

Master Willie Masters having recovered from the measles, Mrs. Masters and her daughter Nora have come to the conclusion that they will wrestle with 'em for a while.

Mr. B. J. Wakeley, engineer at Palmer's planing mill and constable-elect, has stepped down and out, and is, we hear, intending to "go west" in a short time. Mr. "Mack" Taylor takes his place in the mill.

"Sand! Sand!" cries the school-boy. Yes, the sand has moved into sight, welcome, welcome, thrice, thrice, welcome! "Everybody dance!"

A full stock of coffins and undertakers' goods at Traver's Furniture Rooms.

Messrs. Fairlee & Livingston, West Branch, Mich., say: "Brown's Iron Bitters gives good satisfaction."

Mr. Wm. F. Brink, who has so faithfully and skillfully manipulated the reins over Dr. O. Palmer's "pet rabbits" during the past winter, has resigned his position, and Mr. "Del" Price is now "chief cook and m. d."

When house-cleaning this spring don't forget to decorate your walls with some of those beautiful wall papers at Dr. Traver's, 1,000 rolls—spring styles.

Mr. Thos. Woodfield, of Fredericville, passed Sunday in the city. He returned Monday, accompanied by his family, and will hereafter make that village his permanent home. We are sorry to lose "Tom," but what is Grayling's loss will be Fredericville's gain.

Mr. R. S. Babbitt, sen., has sold his stock of shoemakers' findings, etc., to Mr. McLaughlin, who will continue the shoe-making business at Mr. B's old stand. We understand it is Mr. Babbitt's intention at trying his hand at agricultural pursuits. Success!

Twelve dozen assorted spectacles and eye-glasses, ranging from the cheapest to the finest lenses, at Dr. Traver's Drug Store. All in need should call and be fitted by the Doctor.

Now that pleasant weather is here it is difficult to recognize some of our residents. The "long wool" being clipped from off the top of their cran-ums and the flowing beard shaven from their faces makes a vast difference in their looks—for better or for worse we will not venture to say.

20 pieces new styles spring carpeting at Traver's. They are beauties. All in need of a carpet should see them. From 40c to \$1.50 per yard.

Are you in want of a first-class—one of the very best agricultural paper published? If so, call on C. E. Strunk at the AVALANCHE office and subscribe for the Michigan Farmer. \$1.65 per year—8 page weekly.

[Communicated.]

There is no fool who is so big an old fool as the fool that don't know enough to mind his own business. It may seem strange to say, but this world is full of them.

1,000 rolls, late style, wall paper at Dr. Traver's drug store.

Policeman Kerney, who captured the beast Guiten at the moment of the assassination, has received an offer to exhibit himself at a circus, in connection with wax figures of the beast and his victim, but declines.

W. J. Smith, Esq., late of the New York State bar, and who has recently opened a law office in this place, has charge of the defense for James Egan and wife, who are under arrest on a charge of assault with intent to kill Joe Francis, an account of which is given in another column.

The three "soiled doves," inmates of the house of ill repute just north of town, were brought before Justice Kilborn on Saturday last, who fined them each \$5 and costs and gave them until Sunday morning to get outside the county. They "skipped" on the Saturday night train. It seems to be the opinion of many that he should have gotten them outside the county by giving them 90 days in the h. of c.

Dr. E. M. Roffee, of Clyde, N. Y., will commence soon to plat into village lots the 80 acres on the north side of this place, and will give a rare chance for men of small means to get a home cheap. The land lays in a beautiful shape, and will in a short time be a portion of the best part of the village. We extend a hearty welcome to all such men as Dr. Roffee to our beautiful little village.

We are indebted to Mr. Frank Owens, of Maple Forest, for the following account of the number of feet of logs put into the North Branch: Pack, Woods & Co., 17,000,000; J. E. Potts, 17,000,000; Gratiwick, Smith & Co., 25,000,000; Charlton & Cheesbro, 7,250,000; S. O. Fisher, 8,000,000; Stephen & Moore, 3,000,000; Penoyer Bros., 1,500,000; Platt & Mellon, 3,000,000. Total, 81,750,000.

The Twentieth Annual Gift of Premiums to the subscribers of the Detroit Commercial Advertiser will take place April 25th, 1883. Thirty thousand dollars in cash will be distributed among 60,000 subscribers. If you are not a subscriber, call on C. E. Strunk at the AVALANCHE office and give him \$2, which will insure you the paper for one year and a ticket for a chance at one of the many prizes. The prizes range from \$5 up to \$2,000. Subscribe at once; the paper alone is worth the \$2.

The board of canvassers met at the county clerk's office yesterday. Following is vote as audited on State ticket:

Justices of the Supreme Court:	
Asstn. Blair,	209,
Champlin,	144,
Tatrum,	1,
Blair's plurality,	61,
O'Brien,	209,
Sherwood,	145,
Sagendorph,	1,
O'Brien's plurality,	62,
Regents of the University:	
Hutchins,	206,
Clark,	149,
Ewing,	1,
Hutchins' plurality,	56,
Jones,	206,
Willitt,	149,
Hickey,	1,
Jones' plurality,	56,

Bronze Briggs, the well-known water spaniel dog belonging to our county clerk, is perhaps the most intelligent canine in this part of the State. Bronze is petted a good deal at home and is a general favorite with our townsmen. Anything short of sweet cake or a dainty piece of cooked meat is altogether unworthy the notice of his dogship, as he is very fastidious in regard to what he eats. Bronze is as good as an errand boy, and is sent on all sorts of errands by his owners. He carries notes and bundles, and is sent to the post office for the mail; when the box is opened Bronze puts in his paw and takes out the letters and papers, takes them home on a dog trot. At such times he shuns the whole dog creation and takes the most direct route possible. Besides all this, Bronze performs numerous tricks, such as walking lame, setting up and at command giving left or right paw. A cracker can be placed on his nose and he will not shake it off, and grab it until you have said one, two, three! at the sound of the word three he throws back his head and catches it in his mouth. Bronze is a wonderful dog, and we suppose Mr. Briggs would refuse \$500 for him any day.—Ogemaw County Herald.

## FOR SALE.

The Manistee Hotel, with saloon and billiard rooms, in Grayling. Buyer can clear the purchase price in one year. Inquire of

MAIN J. CONNINE,  
Attorney at Law,  
Grayling, Mich.

## WANTED.

I want to purchase a pony. Any body having one for sale will please call on me at my residence in Grayling.  
—DR. CHAS. WAGNER.

## BIRTHS.

On Sunday, April 8th, 1883, to Mr. and Mrs. Main J. Connine, a son.

W. J. SMITH,  
Attorney and Counselor  
AND  
SOLICITOR IN CHANCERY,  
GRAYLING, MICH.

## SHOOTING AND STABBING AFFRAY.

The house of ill-repute up the rail road was the scene of a terrible fight last Saturday morning between the keeper, James Egan, and Joe Francis. From the many stories we hear we are unable to decide who is most to blame. It seems Francis and one of the women had a quarrel, and she called Egan to take her part, and they drove Francis out of the house. Francis came down town, bought a revolver, and went back, as he says to get his money or have revenge. The house being open he walked in and went directly to Egan's room, went in, found him up, demanded his money and was refused. He pulled his revolver, but it is claimed he did not shoot while others assert he shot twice at Egan. They clutched and Egan fell under, and after some pounding agreed to give up the money if Francis would go out into the hall, which he did. Mrs. Egan was by in the meantime and assisted Egan by pounding Francis with bottles. When Francis went out into the hall his revolver went off, accidentally, claimed by him. At that Egan rushed out, armed with a knife, and commenced cutting him. Francis became weak from loss of blood and gave up and fell on the floor, which is literally covered with blood. He was found in that position by the doctor. His wounds are very serious, one cut below the heart on the left side is over three inches deep, and said by one of the doctors to have reached the lung. Egan is bruised up badly around the head by the butt of Francis' revolver, but is not considered serious.

Francis was taken Tuesday night to the hospital at Bay City, but will be watched and soon as able brought back when the examination will occur. Francis is said to belong to Belleville, Ont., that he is known by the cognomen of "Belleville," and that he is a tough character.

Let the true facts in the case be as they may, it is the prevailing opinion of all our law-loving and law-abiding citizens that all participants in the disgraceful affair should receive the full extremes of the law, to the end that there may be no more like scenes in this peaceful locality. Give this class of people to understand that they will not be tolerated and Grayling will be forever free from their obnoxious presence.

## WORRIED BY A WITCH.

Jesse Miller, a farmer living in Greenville township, Somerset county, Pa., is ready to swear that his household is afflicted with a witch. Some time ago he found a saddle hanging on a hook by the chimney. He had placed it on the balusters. This occurred three times, and every member of the family accused solemnly declared that they had not touched the saddle. Mr. Miller took it to the woodshed, and again it was displaced. He then removed the saddle to a sawmill and spiked it to a standard. It stays there. His wife was washing one day, and stepped out of the apartment for a few minutes. Returning she was amazed to find the articles which she had left in the tub thrown about over the floor. Miller was aroused one night by terrible screams in his front yard. He bounded out of bed and rushed out and found his daughter there alone. Every door and window in the house was locked and bolted as when the young lady went to bed. Twice since she has been spirited out of the house in broad daylight, in the presence of her mother and others. The spirit of darkness that exerts this influence over the young lady is invisible to all others. She describes the witch as resembling an old woman, with hoary locks, hairy face, and wearing a white cap. The Miller family is thoroughly terrified, as is the entire community. Miller intends to leave the locality as soon as possible. Meanwhile, he has been in Myersdale in quest of a witch doctor, to make the place tolerable for a short time at least. He is firm in his witch belief.—Pittsburg Leader.

## PETER COOPER'S FAMILY.

In December, 1813, Peter Cooper married Miss Sarah Bedel, of Hempstead, L. I. He was 22 years old and his wife 21. They lived a life of uninterrupted wedded bliss for 56 years. Mrs. Cooper died on the anniversary of her wedding day in December, 1869. They had six children, four of whom died in childhood. The two surviving are Edward Cooper, ex mayor of New York city, and Mrs. Sarah A. Hewitt, wife of Abram S. Hewitt. Peter Cooper never spoke of his wife without emotion. He always said he never loved any other woman, and to her sterling qualities of character he attributed much of his success in life. He said of her: "She was the day star, the solace and the inspiration of my life." He lived in plain and rather old-fashioned style, notwithstanding his great wealth. A love of show never affected him, and he was always ready to receive with hearty hospitality. One evening some unexpected visitors called on him. It happened when, as the old gentleman said, all the servants were out. "However," said he, "my wife got tea and I set the table while the folks were in the parlor, and upon the whole it was one of the happiest times we ever had."

## NOTICE TO RETURN ANIMALS TO MARKET.

United States Land Office,  
Reed City, Mich., March 10, 1883.  
Pursuant to instructions from the Commission of the General Land Office, dated March 9th, 1883,  
Notice is hereby given, that we shall offer at public sale, to the highest bidder, at this office, on the 1st day of May, A. D. 1883, 1 c. 6 d. sec. 20, town 25 N., range 3 W., and 1 c. 6 d. sec. 20, range 4 W., VERNON TOWNSHIP, Register,  
W. B. C. MITCHELL, Receiver.

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## NOTICE FOR FULCATION.

Land Office at Reed City, Mich., March 10th, 1883.  
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the county clerk of Crawford county, Mich., at Grayling, on the 7th day of April, 1883, viz: Charles H. Fish, of Pere Cheney, Mich., for the S. 1/4 of S. 4 of Sec. 20, T. 25 N., R. 3 W.  
He names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon, and cultivation of, said tract, viz: G. M. F. Davis, George O. H. Cooper, N. West, Levi Van Buren, all of Grayling, Mich.  
CHARLES H. FISH, Register.

## NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Land Office at Reed City, Mich., February 12th, 1883.  
Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the clerk of the circuit court of Crawford county, Michigan, at the county seat on Thursday the 25th day of March, 1883, viz: George W. Love, Homestead Entry No. 709, for the S. 1/4 of S. 10, and W. 1/4 of S. 10, section 20, town 25 N., range 3 W., and names the following witnesses to prove his continuous residence upon and cultivation of said tract, viz: Charles D. Vincent, Silas G. Bush, George W. Knowles and Ira J. Curran, all of Pere Cheney Post Office.  
EDWARD STEVENSON, Register.

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